

Appellant's arguments filed 4/20/09 with respect to the rejection of claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph has been withdrawn.

Appellant's arguments filed 4/20/09 with respect to the rejection of claims 8, 9, 19 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 8, 9, 19 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) has been withdrawn.

(7) Claims Appendix

The copy of the appealed claims contained in the Appendix to the brief is correct.

(8) Evidence Relied Upon

Huberman et al., "Enhancing Privacy and Trust in Electronic Communities" 1999, ACM, pages 78-86

6,618,593	Drutman et al.	09-2003
2004/0133640	Yeager et al.	07-2004
2004/0192383	Zack et al.	09-2004
6,594,762	Doub et al.	07-2003

(9) Grounds of Rejection

The following ground(s) of rejection are applicable to the appealed claims:

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action: